

## MINUTES OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON TAX POLICY

**Monday, May 23, 2005**

**1:00 P.M.**

**Automation Alley  
Technology Atrium Room  
2675 Bellingham  
Troy, MI**

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**Chairman Sheen** called the meeting to order.

The committee met jointly with the Senate Committee on Finance.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Reps. Sheen, Gosselin, Drolet, Hoogendyk, Stakoe, Marleau, Condino, Bieda, Farrah, Zelenko, Miller, Meisner. (12/17)

**MEMBERS ABSENT/EXCUSED:** Reps. Meyer, Newell, Palmer, Jones, Bennett. (5/17)

**Representative Stakoe** moved to excuse absent members. **Representative Gosselin** supported the motion. There being no objection, absent members were excused.

The following people testified before the committee on the Governor's single business tax proposal:

**Charlie Owens**, representing the National Federation of Independent Business and the Delores Werner Pneumatic Feed Service, in opposition.

**Rebecca Vanderbeek**, representing DaimlerChrysler Corporation, in support.

**Chuck Hadden**, representing the Michigan Manufacturers Association, in support.

**Rick Zablocki**, representing the Delphi Corporation, in support.

**Harry Howes**, representing Howes and Associates, in opposition.

**James Jonas**, representing Building Owners and Managers, in opposition.

**John Ezzo**, representing Building Owners and Managers, in opposition.

**Dennis Toffolo**, representing Oakland County, in support.

**Christine Schmitt**, representing MEEMIC Insurance Company, in opposition.

**Rod Byrnet**, representing the Ann Arbor Area Chamber of Commerce, in opposition.

**Brandt Coultas**, representing the Ann Arbor Area Chamber of Commerce, in opposition.

**Linda Jolicoeur**, representing herself, no position.

**Connie Gray**, representing American Axle, in support.

**Tom McMillin**, representing the Michigan Conservative Union, in opposition.

**Bill McMaster**, representing Taxpayers United Michigan Foundation, in opposition.

The following people turned in testimony cards regarding the Governor's single business tax proposal but did not wish to speak:

**Diane Dearing**, representing Display Structures, Inc., in opposition.  
**Houston Smith**, representing Total Insurance Services, Inc., in opposition.  
**Todd Lancaster**, representing Yoursource Management Group, in opposition.  
**Tim Timmerman**, representing Ford Motor Company, in support.  
**Jerry Brown**, representing Ford Motor Company, in support.  
**Joe Sproles**, representing General Motors, in support.  
**Mike Mack**, representing General Motors, in support.  
**Mike Schutte**, representing EA Services, neutral.  
**Daniel Byrne**, representing Byrne Construction, in opposition.  
**Norman Finkelstein**, representing Norwood Companies, in opposition.  
**Robert R. Jones**, representing Robert R. Jones Homes, in opposition.  
**Donald Herska**, representing Floon's Corporation, in opposition.  
**A representative** from Kelley & Sons Heating & Cooling, Inc., in opposition.  
**Fred Vollrath**, representing Vollrath Insurance Services, Inc., in opposition.  
**William Myers**, representing Logan Glass Company, in opposition.  
**James Burch**, representing M&B Dental Laboratory, Inc., in opposition.  
**Ty Wells**, representing Detroit Jack & Tool, in opposition.  
**R. J. Moore**, representing Pallox, Inc., in opposition.  
**Tony San Clemente**, representing Quality Induction Services, Inc., in opposition.  
**Larry Munson**, representing Lawrence Munson & Son EXC., LLC, in opposition.  
**Mike Davis**, representing The Cleaning Authority, in opposition.  
**Charles Gerwin**, representing Ashmore Truck Rental, in opposition.  
**Allan Daniels**, representing AA Mortgage Corporation, I opposition.  
**Robert Breitner**, representing Culligan Water Conditioning RB Enterprises, Inc., in opposition.  
**Philip McLain**, representing Superior Engine & Machine, Inc., in opposition.  
**Karen Kissoff**, representing Lambertville Do It Best Hardware, in opposition.  
**Robert Fowler**, representing Ja Bo Incorporated, in opposition.  
**Scott Mesnard**, representing Almega Wood Works Corporation, in opposition.  
**A representative** from Ciennik Financial Group, Inc., in opposition.  
**Richard Schwartz**, representing L.J. Beal and Son, Inc., in opposition.  
**Carol Evans**, representing Country Elegance, in opposition.  
**Kellee Dohm**, representing Kell's Mowing Service, in opposition.  
**Leonard Kruchko**, representing Service Plumbing & Heating Company, in opposition.  
**Mike Bongiovanni**, representing Innovative Automation, Inc., in opposition.  
**Gary Milis**, representing GM Wood & Metal, Inc., in opposition.  
**A representative** from Great Lakes Press Repair, in opposition.  
**Scott Shepley**, representing Blue Gryphon Service, Inc., in opposition.  
**Heidu Sikuch Zerilli**, representing Shoreline Graphics, Inc., in opposition.  
**Dan Marshall**, representing Cats Veterinary, in opposition.  
**Mark Hulett**, representing Armstrong Trucking Company, in opposition.  
**Geraldine Anscombe**, representing Touch of Country, in opposition.

There being no further business before the committee, **Chairman Sheen** declared the meeting adjourned, the time being 5:33 p.m.

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Representative Fulton Sheen, Chair

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